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Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, December 29, 1903.

NOTICE.

AN OLD ALEXANDRIAN DINNER will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 13th JANUARY, 1904, at the HONGKONG HOTEL.
The undersigned will receive names of any old Alexandrians who have not yet been communicated with.
H. ARTHUR,
Care of Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Hongkong, December 30, 1903.

NOTICE.

THE Partnership between Mr VICTOR H. DEACON and myself having expired, I shall carry on my Business in future at No. 2, WYNDHAM STREET (Old German Club premises).
JOHN HASTINGS.
Hongkong, January 1, 1904.

NOTICE.

THE Partnership hitherto existing between myself and Mr JOHN HASTINGS having been dissolved by effluxion of time, my Business will in future be carried on under the Firm name of DEACON, LOOKER and DEACON.
VICTOR H. DEACON,
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Hongkong, January 1, 1904.

NOTICE.

WE have authorized from this Date Mr L. M. H. BOISSEREE to sign the Firm.
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Hongkong, January 1, 1904.

NOTICE.

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General Memoranda.

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2.30 p.m.—Auction of a Quantity of Household Furniture, &c. at Mr Geo. Lammer's Sales Rooms.
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MONDAY, January 11.—
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WEDNESDAY, January 13.—
Transfer Books of The China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd., closed from this date to the 16th January, 1904, inclusive.
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FRIDAY, January 15.—
Register of Shares of The Kowloon Land & Building Co., Ltd., closed from this date to the 23rd January, 1904, inclusive.

SATURDAY, January 16.—
11 a.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office.
9 p.m.—A Concert of Hongkong Volunteer Corps at City Hall.

WEDNESDAY, January 20.—
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THE full text of Major Ronald Ross's paper on 'Malaria in India and the Colonies,' read before the Royal Colonial Institute recently, has now come to hand. It contains some statements, that arrest attention, and ought to convince the most confirmed scoffer, that it is possible to reduce the ravages of the disease by killing off the malaria-carrying mosquito. Few people know that malaria kills 15,000 persons per day in India. When the full significance of this fact is understood, it is easy to realise how many persons in India, Europeans as well as natives, are constantly incapacitated by malignant forms of the disease without actually succumbing to it. Of personal prophylactics, Major Ross places first and foremost the use of the mosquito-net; he also advocates the use of punka and fans (already in use in the Far East and India, but not in Africa), quinine, and wire-gauze screens for windows and doors. But as the vast mass of the people do not trouble themselves about the principles of personal hygiene, it is necessary that the State should interest itself in the crusade, and State measures for the repression of malaria have already been tried in Sierra Leone, Havana, Lagos, Ismailia, the German Colonies, Hongkong, and many other places. In Havana in 1900, before mosquito work was started, there were 325 deaths from malaria; in 1901, the first year of mosquito work, there were 151 deaths; in 1902, 77 deaths; and in the first five months of 1903, 21 deaths. Sir William McGregor, Governor of Lagos, writes, after having carried out the drainage of swamps in that Colony and encouraged the use of prophylactics, 'malaria has lost its terrors for us in Lagos.' In Hongkong, as has been already reported, the death-rate from malaria has been reduced by over 50 per cent in three years. Thanks to the work instituted by Sir Matthew Nathan (Governor-elect of Hongkong) during his term of office in Cape Coast, the principal town of the Gold Coast, the white residents are now almost entirely free from malaria attacks, and the natives practically immune. Varying success has attended the preventive work in other Colonies, due probably to the degree of efficiency with which the work has been carried out, but the most striking and rapid success was achieved at Ismailia on the Suez Canal. According to the official statistics, the reduction in the fever there amounts to 87 per cent.

Major Ross proceeds to discuss how it is that in very many places little or nothing has been done to prevent malaria. 'The delay is really due to two causes,' he says, 'first, a natural hesitation on the part of the authorities to expend the funds necessary for such a campaign; and secondly, a hesitation to add to the burdens of the medical and engineering departments of the Colonies. To be properly executed, the work against malaria involves considerable expense for drainage or other measures against mosquitoes, and for the remaining methods of defence just mentioned; and, besides this expense, many government and municipal officials must of course be put to serious trouble in regard to the supervision of the required works and the collection of statistics and the preparation of reports. Hence, as with every other new movement, that against malaria will be generally taken up only after there is clear evidence in regard to the advisability of taking it up at all. Moreover, even when the authorities have decided to take it up, they must be guided by experts who possess not only a general knowledge of the subject, but also a direct knowledge of the local conditions of the places for which the campaign is proposed. Still further, the operations against malaria will often require the services of special executive officers appointed for that work alone. Now I think it may be freely admitted, with regard to the first point, that the authorities in all our tropical possessions are now fully alive to the advisability of attacking the disease as quickly as their means allow; but it seems to me that their

organisation is not yet sufficiently perfect to enable them to give effect to such desires.' He then lays down certain suggestions, which seem to be directed mainly to the improvement of the health conditions of India and West Africa. One of these proposals is the appointment of Sanitary Commissioners, and in discussing this point Major Ross, inadvertently throws light upon a matter not without interest to us in Hongkong, namely, the appointment of a Sanitary Commissioner as proposed by the experts who visited Hongkong in 1902. Major Ross says:—'I have recently had the privilege of hearing the personal views on these points of Mr Chamberlain, to whom we are all so much indebted for his far-seeing and powerful efforts on behalf of tropical medicine and sanitation. He thinks that there are several serious difficulties in the way of appointing permanent Sanitary Commissioners—principally that they themselves, owing to the highly expert nature of their functions, may prove difficult of control and may commit the Colonies to unwise expenditure. But he was good enough to suggest an alternative scheme—namely, that several learned societies might periodically be asked to send out special Commissioners for the purpose of examining and reporting upon the sanitary affairs of specified tropical Crown Colonies; and that such reports, after editing by the societies referred to, might then be submitted to Government for consideration. Commissioners of this kind would cost less, and, not being servants of Government, would be able to give entirely unprejudiced opinions. There is no doubt that this suggestion is a very valuable one. Mr Chamberlain also thought that there would be difficulty about the regular publication of statistics.'

It is not necessary to refer further to Major Ross's paper in detail. Those who are responsible for the public health of this Colony will be pleased to learn, however, that Hongkong is not censured for any lack of zeal in its campaign against the mosquito. We think the local authorities deserve warm commendation for the readiness with which they entered upon that campaign as soon as it was demonstrated that the mosquito carried the malarial parasite and that it was possible to minimise the disease by abolishing the breeding-places of the insect. Wherever one goes in the Colony, there are evidences of improved surface drainage. Pools where stagnant water formerly collected have been filled up, nullahs and mountain streams, especially in the vicinity of the residential areas, are now drained, and, on every hand, we hear comments on the fact that mosquitoes seem to have been driven away from districts where formerly dangerous pests swarmed periodically. This is one branch of sanitary work where the local authorities have achieved success, and we hope the co-operation they have met with from the Government officials responsible for providing the success of war will be forthcoming as readily when the greater subject of overcrowding and the re-building of the city of Victoria is tackled in earnest.

An Interested Jurymen.

Some years since in Tipperary—I am speaking upon the authority of the Crown Solicitor for that county (says a writer in 'T.P.'s Weekly'), a man was convicted on a charge of murder through the indubitable clumsiness of one of the jury. As there was not a shadow of a doubt of the accused's guilt, and as there was no religious, political, or agrarian provocation to extenuate it in the minds of the jury the Crown Solicitor was at a stand to account for the degraded refusal to one of the panel to acquiesce in the verdict unanimously and manfully agreed upon by the other eleven. Meeting the obstinate jurymen a short time after the trial he asked, 'What on earth made you stand out against the conviction of—?' 'Ah, him, now, do ye think I was going to hang the last life in my lease?' exclaimed and explained the recalcitrant. He had a lease of his farm for three lives, of which two had gone, while the third was that of the man he was expected to hang!

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Notes by the Way.
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The Hongkong Football Club will play H.M.S. *Ocean* at Happy Valley to-morrow afternoon, and will be represented by Lieut. G. D. Macdonald, full back; Lieut. P. H. Campbell, T. E. Pearce, O. J. Barnes, and W. R. Robertson, three-quarters; J. P. Jordan and A. B. de Vaulle, halves; H. C. Sandford (Capt.), A. Boyd, E. R. Hallifax, Lieut. W. R. Storer, H. E. Rowley, Lieut. E. Rogers, S. Q. Ellis and H. F. Chard, forwards.

Week of United and Universal Prayer.
The attendance at the meeting last evening was the largest yet recorded. The subject of Missions to the Heathen and Mohammedan was dealt with. This evening the topic is 'Families, Schools, and Colleges' to be led by Dr R. M. Gibson and Rev. W. J. Southam. To-morrow Major Benson and the Rev. T. W. Pease will preside, and the subject will be 'Nations and Their Rulers.' The meetings are held at 5.15 p.m. and strangers as well as residents are cordially invited.

The Retort Elective.
The late Lady Donoughmore used to tell of an encounter of which she was a witness between a gentleman with whom she was walking and an Irish beggar woman. Charity was not forthcoming. The casual looked for a moment at the man, then burst out—'Ye're an awful ugly face; I hope ye may die soon, but I pity the worms that will have to eat ye.' But sometimes the boot is on the other leg. It was so in the case of a man importuned by a village late at night, who behaved violently, and said—'You must give me money; you shall, or I'll say you're Jack the Ripper.' The gentleman stepped quickly up to her, and, in a sepulchral whisper, said, 'I am.' In two seconds there was only one person left in that street. It was not the woman.

Alleged Theft from a Safe.
On Dec. 18, Li Chin Cheong, merchant, discovered that his safe had been opened and that \$4,500 had been extracted. The police were informed, and Li Chop Chung, a cousin to the complainant, was arrested on suspicion. The night the safe was alleged to have been robbed he slept in the same cubicle and when arrested had a key in his possession, which the Chinese constable who arrested him said fitted the lock. At the Magistracy to-day before Mr J. H. Kemp the case was heard: Mr H. K. Holmes appeared for the prosecution. The safe was produced in Court, but it was found that the key which the accused was alleged to have used could neither lock nor unlock the safe. As the prosecution relied greatly on that point, the case was withdrawn and accused was discharged.

Colombo as a Coaling Station.
A correspondent signing himself 'R. N.' writes to the *Daily Express* from the Naval and Military Club:—'An expert tactician and strategist, on his way to Japan, examined the coaling stations at Aden, Colombo, Singapore, and Hongkong. His report cannot be published. It is to the effect that the whole of these coaling stations are vulnerable, and in time of war will be easily taken or destroyed by a 'salin' enemy. There are no electric searchlights in any of them that could be used at night, and thus it would be possible for an enemy's cruisers to do as they liked, during the hours of darkness. There is one spot in the sailing at Colombo where a single enemy's cruiser could be placed after dark with perfect immunity from attack by the batteries on shore, and yet her guns would take in flank and destroy the whole of the defensive works during the night. The cruiser would only stand a very small chance of being hit. It is not time that a Commission were appointed to look into the defects of the coaling stations? The late Sir Andrew Clarke often expressed the opinion before his death that we were in a very dangerous condition, an opinion now borne out. [The remark about searchlights does not apply to Hongkong. It is, we believe, a fact, however that Hongkong is vulnerable.—Ed., G.M.]

WHAT troubles me particularly is the feeling of fullness after I have eaten my fill,' complains the man. 'Ah, yes,' says Science, and bestirs itself briskly to discover some more drugs.

For Sprains
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RUSSIA AND JAPAN.
LONDON, JANUARY 6.
According to information from official sources in St. Petersburg, the Russian reply is most conciliatory.

Some of the Japanese proposals are accepted and others are made the subject of extended observations (sic) and met by counter proposals. It is hoped in official circles that the considerable concessions made to Japan will prove acceptable and that the Emperor will be able to announce that peace is assured on Thursday, which is the Russian Christmas.

THE NEW JAPANESE CRUISERS.
The legal formalities connected with the transfer of the Argentine Cruisers are completed. The Japanese Legation said yesterday that the work on them continues day and night, and when they sail, they will be ready for action. As it is impossible, on account of time, to get crews from Japan, the cruisers will probably sail under the command of several Japanese naval officers now in Europe, with European crews. The Japanese Naval attaché, who is arranging the matter suggests preference being given to men volunteering from Great Britain.

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Telegrams from St. Petersburg mention the holding of a Grand Council, presided over by the Tsar, at which several Grand Dukes, M. de Witte and the leading Ministers were present. It is supposed that the reply to Japan was drafted at this Council.

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One hundred and fifty Japanese officers and sailors leave London to-day for Genoa.

THE UNITED STATES AND CHINA.
Mr Shaw has recommended the House of Representatives at Washington to establish a Consul-General at Mukden and a Consul at Antung.

FIRE AT MACAO.
It is reported that a serious fire occurred at Macao at a late hour last night. The fire, it is said, broke out in the buildings facing the inner harbour, and raged furiously for some time. The steamer lying alongside the wharf made preparations to move off for safety, but it was found to be unnecessary as the progress of the fire was checked. The total damage has not been ascertained as yet, but is believed to be very large.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE CHINESE IN BUSINESS.
To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL'.
Hongkong, January 7.

Sir,—Every merchant in the Colony will feel confident that Mr Justice Wise acted according to law in deciding in favour of the plaintiff in the case of *Sun On Wing versus Shewan, Tomes and Co.* Still, I think everyone will also feel that it is hard on the foreign merchants that simple cases should go against them when scores and scores of contracts made by the Chinese of the conditions of contract are greater than he who is not a merchant may think. In the present case, justice takes its course according to law. In the second case, we content ourselves by saying, 'Business conditions in Hongkong are simply rotten.' If decisions could be made a little more flexible, and the Chinese merchant and not the foreign one were at upon more often, it would do both the Chinese and foreigners a deal of good, and perhaps help in time to bring about a healthier system of business in this Colony.—Yours,

[Most of our readers will be astonished to learn that the Chinese merchant is unreliable in business. It has long been a belief among foreigners that 'A Chinaman's word is his bond'; but, in recent years, we have heard frequent complaints of the Chinese merchant's growing unreliability.—Ed., G.M.]

CANTON LEPIERS' FUND.
'China Mail's' Subscription List.
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CANTON NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)
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A hangover on Messrs Butterfield and Swire's premises on Housan, was destroyed by fire this morning. Judging from the exterior it was very little better than a metal shed. It has been serving as living place for the superintendent of the blasting operations that have been going on in front of the company's bund.

PRISON REFORM.

The Vicar is introducing some prison reforms in Canton. They are certainly badly needed. I hear that he has sent two officials to Hongkong to study the methods there.

BUILDINGS AT SHAMEN.

Shamen is quite unsightly now because of the numerous buildings that are in course of erection. Park Avenue is obstructed in three places with workmen's sheds and building material. If buildings continue to go up at the present rate, it will not be long before all available space will be occupied. Land values are already much higher than they were a year ago, and they continue to rise.

LONDON MISSION IMPROVEMENTS.

I hear that the London Mission are going to sell their Shamen property and secure a compound in the Chinese city, and that the Baptist Mission, whose premises are in the River from near No. 26, are also seeking a more desirable location. The missionaries are observing the Week of Prayer with much prayer meetings every day this week.

SUPREME COURT.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

(Hear His Honor Sir Wm. Goddard, Chief Justice.)
Thursday, January 7, 1904.

DECLARED ESTATE.

Mr E. J. Grist (of Messrs Wilkinson and Grist) appeared for Chan Cheuk Ling, who petitioned to have a receiving order made on the estate of Ma Ying Wa, deceased. The assets, he said, were insufficient to pay the debts of the deceased, and there were several actions commenced against the executor, as executor of the estate. It seemed to him that the only way of dealing with the estate was to administer it in Bankruptcy. The assets were \$21,600, of which \$12,000 was actual cash.

The Chief Justice—How can I know the estate is bankrupt. The application is wrongly drawn out. I seldom get them in proper form. There must be proper proof. Mr Grist. The form is strictly in accordance with Section 4 of No. 7. It is the only form under Bankruptcy law.

The Chief Justice—It is a very unsatisfactory form.

A receiving order was made, and Mr Bruce Shepherd, Official Receiver, was appointed trustee.

ASCENDING ESTATES.

In the case of Chan Tai, Chan Soan-lin, Chan Cheuk Hing, Chan Luk alin, Chan Hing Shih, Chan Chai alin, Chan In Shau, and Chan Shap San alin Chan Chu, trading under the name of Him Yuen at 104 Bonham Strand, which was set down for public examination today, Mr J. Hastings appeared and asked for an adjournment to allow the debtors to appear.

The Chief Justice said that on December 22, the day for the public examination was fixed for Jan. 7, and the debtors should have attended. It was contempt of Court, and he would order warrants to be issued for their arrest.

Mr D'Almeida, who appeared on behalf of the petitioning creditors, said that he had no objections to an adjournment.

Mr Hastings said that the debtors were in China, and were willing to come down for examination, but the Chinese officials, owing to some proceedings in Canton, would not allow them to leave.

The Chief Justice—Have you affidavits to that effect?

Mr Hastings—It would be to the interests of all to have the debtors present, and they are willing to attend if Your Lordship will give them time.

The Chief Justice—The interest of the Court is that its orders are implicitly obeyed.

Mr Bruce Shepherd—I was informed that the debtors escaped the summons at Canton, and I suggested that they should be communicated with and told to come direct to Hongkong.

The Chief Justice—What are the assets?

Mr Bruce Shepherd—No statement has been filed.

Mr D'Almeida—The creditors think there is enough to pay in full, but the debtors only want to give 30%.

Mr Hastings—The Official Receiver is willing to agree to an adjournment. It is the only way to get the property. I submit that it would be to the benefit of all parties to allow the debtors to come down to assist the Court. They have been stopped by proceedings in their own country.

The Chief Justice—I think it is great contempt of Court for them to send a representative to apply for an adjournment. I have no objection that they are being proceeded against. If we do not get anything, we shall have the satisfaction of keeping some sourest out of the Court.

The order made for the public examination of the debtors was fixed for today for them to be here to be examined. Instead of appearing they sent a solicitor to negotiate with the Court, and state that they would condescend to come down and obey the order of the Court. If they were to appear, I refuse to enter into any negotiations, and as provided by Section 24 of the Bankruptcy Act, sub-section 1 (D) if a debtor fails to attend any examination order of the Court he may be arrested by warrant, his books and papers seized. This is exactly what they have done; therefore I order a warrant to be issued.

THE CRISIS.

ULTIMATUM BELIEVED TO BE FORMULATED.

While nothing absolutely certain is known by the public as to the course adopted by the Government, there is a very general belief that if an ultimatum has not been dispatched to Russia, such an ultimatum will be forwarded in the course of the next two or three days, says the *Kobe Chronicle* of 30th December. The *Nippon* published an article in yesterday's issue stating that the course to be adopted by the Japanese Government in view of the unsatisfactory nature of Russia's reply was decided upon at the joint conference of Elder Statesmen and Cabinet Ministers held on Dec. 16, while the Cabinet Council held on Dec. 18 made the necessary arrangements for carrying that decision into effect. So far this is in accordance with the statement of the *Kokumin*. The *Nippon*, however, goes on to say that it was expected that a meeting would take place, either yesterday or today, between Baron Komura, the Foreign Minister, and Baron Rosen, the Russian representative, which would settle all probability to final. The Tokyo journal, disapproves in toto the reply received from Russia on the 11th December, and will forthwith request a definite answer whether or not Russia intends to concede the demands formulated by Japan on October 18, a day being appointed upon which such answer must be made. That is to say, an ultimatum, already formulated, will be sent. Should the reply of Russia still remain unsatisfactory, and the demands be refused, diplomatic negotiations will be at once broken off, and Japan will resort to arms, for which all preparations have now been made. Since the above was in type we learn that the meeting between Baron Komura and Baron Rosen took place yesterday. Nothing, however, is known of the result.

Organisation of War Fund.

The Japanese Government no longer conceals its intention to take steps that may involve the country in war with Russia if the expected reply from that country should prove of an unsatisfactory nature. Says the *Kobe Chronicle* of December 30. In an 'extra' to yesterday's *Official Gazette* an urgent Imperial Ordinance (No. 291) was published announcing the appropriation of money to form a War Fund and also the grant of subsidies to enable the construction of the Seoul-Fusan Railway to be pushed forward. The Ordinance, of which some further particulars are given in a paragraph below, has been issued under Article 70 of the Constitution of the Empire, which provides that—

When the Imperial Diet cannot be convened, owing to the external or internal condition of the country, increase of urgent need for the maintenance of public safety the Government may take all necessary financial measures by means of an Imperial Ordinance.

In the case mentioned in the preceding clause, the matter shall be submitted to the Imperial Diet at its next session, and its approbation shall be obtained thereto.

The Ordinance consists of four Articles, and includes the particulars given below. It is provided that the debentures of the Seoul-Fusan Railway to be issued with a Government guarantee to the amount of ¥10,000,000 shall be redeemed within five years after the date of issue, and that the interest shall not exceed 6 per cent. per annum. The 'extra' also contains an Imperial Ordinance (No. 292) relating to the official organisation and other matters concerning the Seoul-Fusan Railway.

Two more important Ordinances are published. One consists of amendments to the Regulations for the Organisation of the Imperial Headquarters in time of war, by which the Imperial Headquarters become the highest authorities in command of operations under the Throne, together with details of the staff.

Another Regulation, consisting of six Articles, provides for the organisation of a War-Council (*Gunki Sangiin*), which shall be an advisory body in matters relating to warfare. The members of this War-Council will be the Ministers for War and the Navy, the Presidents of the General Army and Navy Staff Departments, and the military and naval officers holding certain rank or who have been specially appointed members.

Now that these preparations are being openly made, it will be interesting to learn whether the news from Europe will continue to be optimistic. Very much now depends on the answer to be received from Russia, and it may be hoped that the statement emanating from Berlin that Russia is willing to make concessions will prove to be well founded.

Since the above was written we have received a telegram through Reuters' agency which states that persistent rumours are afloat in England to the effect that the British squadron in Far Eastern waters is to be strengthened, while preparations are being made to assemble the Naval Reserve at very short notice in case their services are required by the authorities.

It is now generally believed that the Russian reply to the last Note of Japan will be received before the Russian New Year's Day. In the meantime the Japanese Government is pushing forward its preparations for emergencies.

Conference with Military Officials.

An impression is beginning to gain ground that Japan is not pressing the demands originally made regarding Manchuria, but is concentrating her whole attention on protecting her interests in Korea. If this be the case, says the *Kobe Chronicle*, it is by no means unlikely that at the last moment Russia may be inclined to make concessions. The Russian Government still delays making the final reply which Japan has demanded. Meanwhile there is no cessation in Japan's preparations for emergencies. Another Cabinet Council was held yesterday which was attended by all the Ministers with the exception of the Ministers for Education and Justice. A special meeting of the Privy Council was also held, which is reported to have considered the special subsidy to the Seoul-Fusan Railway and the war preparations. Most of the Ministers attended the meeting of the Council, and Colonel Unagawa, Director of the Military Affairs Bureau in the War Department, was called in and questioned. Mr Yamaga, Director of the Political Affairs Bureau in the Foreign Office, followed, and gave certain explanations. The proposals laid before the Privy Council by the Government were adopted, and the result immediately reported to the Emperor. It is reported from Tokyo that the Military Arsenal there is very busy making commissary trucks of a new style. A number of naval officers have been appointed to superintend the transports, but the names are kept secret. Until the Russian reply is received, the position must be regarded as unchanged.

No Hope of Peace.

It is to be feared that all hope of a peaceful settlement of the dispute between Japan and Russia must be abandoned. From information which comes from Tokyo it appears now to be certain that the Russian Government, in a reply to Russia made on December 21, has re-insisted on Japan's original demands, and has also informed the St. Petersburg Government that a final reply must be received without delay. The Japanese Government, it appears, has now come to the conclusion from the dispatch received on Dec. 11 that the Russian Government is not sincerely desirous of a peaceful solution. It being necessary to protect the practical interests of Japan in Manchuria, and guard the independence of Korea without further delay, it is understood that the Cabinet Council held on Dec. 26 decided, notwithstanding that diplomatic relations are not broken off, that action must be taken as if the result were now beyond question. After the special Cabinet Council the Premier waited on the Emperor to make a report. Advice received by the Yokohama Specie Bank state that the Japanese War Loan Bonds on the London market declined on one day (apparently the 24th) by £3 18s. 4d., and now stand at £12 12s. 4d. The new four per cent. Bonds have declined by £2 15s. 0d., and are quoted at £80 6s. 0d.

Preparing for War.

Preparations proceed, and transport contingents to be engaged by the Government, but it appears that there is a good deal of friction between the Nippon Yusen Kaisha and the Government departments regarding the rate of charter. The Government, it is said, offers Yen 3.50 per ton, but the Nippon Yusen Kaisha stands out for Yen 6 for the vessels of the first class. The other companies have accepted the Government's offer.

The Red Cross Society has perfected its arrangements, and is ready to put its organisation into movement at a moment's notice. The employees of the War Department, the Naval Department, and the Foreign Office were not granted the customary New Year holidays.

Wonders of Bird Flight.

The migratory storks, twice in the twelve months, perform the 2300 or 2400 miles between Lahore and Buda Pest in a flight of only 24 hours, a hundred miles an hour for 24 hours on end. This amazing feat, even by itself, almost passes credence (says the *Scientific American*). Contested with other records of animal locomotion, its wonder is increased. Doubtless the greater height, and consequently rarer air, which these birds traverse may be regarded as some mitigation of their difficulties, but even so the mind recoils from such endurance. Birds are the only animals capable of moving anything like a hundred miles an hour, and it would seem, from a consideration of their method of progress, that flight to be successful must be rapid. This patent factor of success notwithstanding, nine would-be flying men out of ten direct their experiments towards alighting undamaged rather than actually making point-to-point flights.

'Ricka? Why, she never has to think of the matter of cost at all.' 'No! Not for a moment. She can afford to wear what she likes, even though it is something cheap.'

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BOXING.

The Christie-St. Clair Fight.

During the past few days local devotees have been very expectant owing to the announcement that Charles St. Clair, a visitor from the north, has descended upon the Colony and had waged himself to knock out one of our popular local amateurs, James Christie, in eight rounds. Although St. Clair is about two stone heavier than Christie and furthermore was a professional and had done more fighting of recent months, confidence in Christie's prowess was great, and those who pinned their faith to him were not disappointed when the match was fought at the Theatre Royal last night in the presence of a large and enthusiastic crowd. The popularity of Christie was manifested when he stepped into the ring, loud applause being given to him, and when it was seen how he was handicapped in size, weight, and length of reach sympathies went more to his side. St. Clair was also applauded, and whilst he had many supporters he would probably have gained instead of lost in that respect as the night grew on if he had not talked so much in the ring. He has a bad habit of making unnecessary observations which he ought to cure. Both men whipped well and were in good condition, but St. Clair had great advantage in size and weight. He invariably led and forced the fighting, and demonstrated that he was a powerful hitter. Unfortunately for him, however, he could not get many of his blows in, the nimble Christie—whose foot work and dodging capabilities were fine to witness—evading with great skill, and allowing the blows and swings to harmlessly cleave the air. Though it was not policy on Christie's part to force fighting, occasionally he walked into his heavy opponent and gave him a warm time of it. St. Clair constantly tried for a knock out, and adopted tactics with a view to smothering Christie's guard and striking him on the left jaw with a straight right which had tremendous strength in it. He failed in his attempts, however, and then went for the heart but without effect. Though Christie caught several pretty sound blows on the lower jaw, a couple of which at one time sent him to his knees in his corner, he was never groggy or loose in a match for the big man when danger threatened. For such displays he was cheered by the crowd, and he was further applauded when he attacked St. Clair's face and body with effect. Sam Newman was the referee, and at the end of the eighth round, as Christie was on his feet and going strong, declared him to be the winner. There was then a loud outburst of cheering.

The first round was opened by St. Clair who feinted and subsequently landed on Christie's jaw. Christie rushed and got a tight in on the body, forcing his opponent into the corner and clinching. Breaking away St. Clair attacked, but Christie replied with one on the left jaw. After which St. Clair succeeded in landing a couple on the kidneys with his right.

Second Round—St. Clair again led and a clinch followed, one on Christie's face. Christie rushed after the break away, and with a well directed body blow sent St. Clair to his haunches through the lower ropes. He recovered rapidly, however, and made things warm for the local man, hitting hard and forcing the pace. Several clinches took place, and Christie cleverly dodged successive blows, ultimately getting in another right on the body which caused the victor to go to his knees against the ropes. St. Clair caught Christie a nice one on the jaw as he was turning to evade an attack, and time found the men sparring.

Third Round—Wary sparring took place for a while, and when St. Clair opened the attack most of his blows went wide, Christie neatly evading. Several clinches took place, and St. Clair got in some warm body blows, one of which was returned by a right on the jaw. Christie rushed and St. Clair ducked under his left arm, Christie neatly delivering a strong side behind his back on St. Clair's nose. The men were in a clinch when time was called.

Fourth Round—The victor again led and St. Clair planted a right and left on Christie's face, subsequently rushing him to his corner. Sparring took place and Christie dodged several loads maced by St. Clair, but later stopped one with his right jaw. Quickly recovering he attacked gamely and got two stingers on St. Clair's face. The men then clinched.

Fifth Round—There was more life in this round, rapid exchanges taking place from the outset. St. Clair opened with his left and followed with his right on Christie's body, which was responded to by a warm swing on to the victor's face. Christie dodged a couple of terrific blows, and followed up with his left on St. Clair's jaw, subsequently repeating the dose. St. Clair watched, closely for a chance to put his man out, but could not find an opening though he succeeded in landing a few on Christie's face at close quarters. Christie went to his corner a little groggy.

Sixth Round—St. Clair again led and Christie, who was not so fresh, but the blow did not land and a clinch followed. At the break away St. Clair swung his right ferociously at Christie's head, to which the latter replied with his right on the kidneys. Christie had by this time recovered and rushed St. Clair to his corner

getting in face and body punches in quick succession. St. Clair, on recovering, landed on Christie's jaw, and followed it up hotly with a powerful blow on the neck, which sent Christie to his knees in a shaky state. He saved further punishment by clinching.

Seventh Round—A hard body blow from St. Clair opened the round, and it was followed by several blows on Christie's neck as the men clinched. Sparring and clinches were frequent, and St. Clair used his right with effect on Christie's ribs. Christie attacked St. Clair's body, and in reply to a left on the ribs sent out a beautiful clip on the right eye. St. Clair frequently tried to put his man out, but his efforts were of no avail.

Eighth Round—Both men came up pretty fresh for this round, and realising that it was his last chance of winning the match St. Clair commenced to make the pace. Christie remaining on the defensive and cleverly dodging terrific swings and straight punches. He followed a left body blow up with a heavy right on Christie's left shoulder, which he recovered, and was compelled to devote some time to defending himself against the warm attack of St. Clair. The latter punched freely at the face, but did no harm, and Christie stopped the right on the jaw. A rapid exchange took place and the men were sparring when time was called.

As St. Clair failed to stop Christie in the eighth round the latter was declared the winner amidst loud cheers.

Three brisk preliminary bouts preceded the chief event, the first being between the Burgen of G. Towner and Nichols of the Glory. Both men went to the boards in the first round, but in the second Burgen went down no less than four times in succession. Nichols punched strongly and effectively. In the third round Nichols went to his knees in the first round, but he was not hurt, and Christie stopped the right on the jaw in succession and put his man out. Burgen tried to rise as the count out, but he did not get up, and Christie struck him in the chest. The blow was a foul and the referee gave the decision in favour of Burgen.

Turner, of the Albion, and Smith, of the Eclipse, next tried conclusions, but at Smith's about two stone in weight to the good he had a better fighter too, and after flooring his opponent a couple of times he treated him lightly. In the third round he again attacked vigorously and compelled Turner to throw up the sponge.

Butler, of the Sherwood Foresters, the light weight champion of North China, met Layton of the Albion a bantam fighter. The fight lasted through the specified time of fifteen rounds, the display throughout being a good one. Layton proved himself the better man, punishing his opponent severely but failing to knock him out. All his blows were straight but his reach was a little too short for that to be effective. If he had employed a hook or two now and then he might have succeeded in stopping the fight early. Butler took his punishment gamely and got it heavily on the chest and face. The decision was given to Layton.

The management was in the hands of Mr Sam Newman, who, by the way, shortly opens an Athletic Club for boxing and physical culture at No. 1 Queen's Road, near Arsenal Street.

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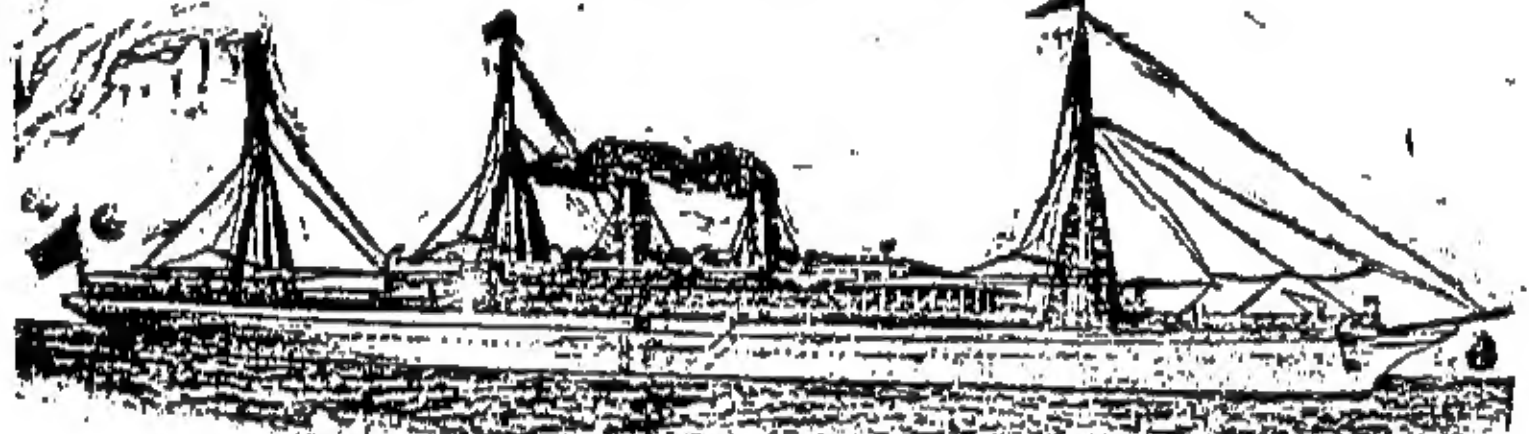
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S'pore, P'ang, H'bay &c.	Vindobona (s)	Sander, Wieler & Co.	January 14, p.m.
S'tow, Amoy, Foochow	Anping Maru (s)	Ozaka Shosen Kaisha,	January 16.
S'tow, Amoy & Tamsui	Daljin Maru (s)	Ozaka Shosen Kaisha,	January 12.

Stow, Amy & Anping	Maizuru Maru (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha,	January 16.
Stow, Amy & Tamsui	Baigi Maru (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha,	January 17.
Stow, Amy & F'ebow	Haiching (s)	Douglas Lapaik & Co.,	Jan. 8, at New.
Stow	Hailong (s)	Douglas Lapaik & Co.,	Jan. 9, at 10 a.m.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c.	Empress of China (s) ..	Canadian P'ac R. Co.	January 13.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c.	Athenian (s)	Canadian P'ac R. Co.	January 27.
Victoria, B.C., Seattle,	Riojan Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha,	Jan. 12, at 4 p.m.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Isra (s)	Dredgell & Co. Limited	January 15.

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

January 7, 1904				
Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid up.	Clearing Certificates. Cash.
BANKS.				
Bank of Montreal	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of Commerce	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of New York	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of England	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of India	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of China	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of Japan	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of Australia	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of South Africa	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of Argentina	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of Brazil	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of Mexico	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of Peru	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of Chile	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of Colombia	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of Venezuela	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of Ecuador	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of Panama	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of Cuba	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of Haiti	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of Santo Domingo	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of Puerto Rico	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Philippines	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Hawaiian Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Sandwich Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Fijian Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Tongan Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Samoan Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the New Zealand Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Australian Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the South African Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Argentine Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Brazilian Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Mexican Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Peruvian Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Chilean Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Colombian Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Venezuelan Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Ecuadorian Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Panamanian Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Cuban Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Haitian Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Santo Domingo Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Puerto Rican Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Philippine Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Hawaiian Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Sandwich Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Fijian Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Tongan Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Samoan Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the New Zealand Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Australian Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the South African Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Argentine Islands	10,000	100	100	100
Bank of the Brazilian Islands	10,000	100	100	100
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Bank of the Fijian Islands	10,000	100	100	100

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	10,000	£	120	8		Lobson's, 201
National Bank of China, Limited ...	19,970	£	10	£	8	S31½, buyers
	29,950	£	10	£	8	S31½, buyers
Do, Founders' shares	700	£	1	£	1	\$10
MARINE INSURANCES:						
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ltd....	10,000	£	260	8	10	\$375
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd....	24,000	£	63.33	8	25	\$56, sellers
North-China Insurance Co., Ltd.....	5,000	£	100	£	25	Tie, 210

Union Insurance Society, Ltd.....	10,000	\$	250	10	\$400, sales, & sellers
Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd.	8,000	\$	100	00	3135
FIRE INSURANCE.					
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.....	20,000	\$	100	50	\$32, buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	8,000	\$	250	50	\$310, sellers
DOCKS, ETC.					
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co. Ltd.,	50,000	\$	50	all	\$208, buyers

Jco. Fenwick & Co., Limited	6,000	8	25	25	840	buyers
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.....	6,000	8	67	67	828	sellors
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co. Ltd.....	65,700	Tls. 100	Tal100	Tls. 123	buyers	
PANBOATS, TUGS, ETC.						
China and Manila S. S. Co., Ltd. {	30,000	\$	50	\$	50	\$18, sellors
Duglas Steamship Co., Limited ..	30,000	\$	50	an	530	sellors
B. F. Good & M. Sprengel & Co. {	30,000	\$	16	15	634	sellors & sellors

S.S. Co. Ltd., Nanking		196	10	\$87½	bags, c.
Neco-Ching S. N. Company, Limited	80,000	2	all	\$87½	buyers
Perry Company, Ltd.	10,000	10	10	\$80	sales
	10,000	10	5	\$19	
Shanghai Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	100,000	E	12	1	23-
Toku Tug and Lighter Co., Ltd.	8,600	Tls.	Tls.	60	Tls. 26
Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.	390,000	Tls.	50	Tls. 60	Tls. 70, sales
do, Prefecture	100,000	Tls.	50	Tls. 60	Tls. 70, sellers

REFINERIES.					
China Sugar Company, Limited.....	30,000	S	-100	n	\$104
Luzon Sugar Company, Limited, ...	7,000	S	100	n	\$109, sellers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd.....	7,000	Tls.	50	T 50	Tls. 55, sellers
WHARVES.					
HK. & Kow Wharf & Godown Co.	30,000	S	50	n	\$96, sellers
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Co....	20,100	Tls.	100	Tls100	Tls. 214, sales

LAND AND YIELDING.					
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited	60,000	\$	100	100	\$160, sales
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	39,000	Tls.	50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100, sales
Kiwoon Land and Building Company	6,000	\$	50	30	\$35, buyers
Wei-hei-well Land & Building Co., Ltd.	3,764	Tls.	25	Tls. 25	Tls. 12, sellers
Humphreys Estate & Finance Co.	100,000	\$	10	all	21 1/2, buyers

West Point Building Co., Limited...	12,500	\$	50	\$	50	\$52.10, sales
TRADWAYS.						
H.K. High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	1,250	\$	100	all		\$30.00
MINING.						
John Mining & Trading Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$	5	\$	5	50 cents, sellers
New Punjom Mining Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$	11	\$	11	\$1.50, sellers
" " Preference shares	30,000	\$	1	all		20 cents

Soc. 616 Francaise des Charbon- nages du Tonkin.	16,000	Fcs. 250	all	\$800, sellers
Raub Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	£	1 18/10	\$7, sellers
HOTELS ETC.				
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd. ...	12,000	£	50	all \$148, sellers
Astor House Hotel Ltd. (Tientsin). .	2,000	T.Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 160, buyers
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (Shanghai)	30,000	£	25 6 25	\$28

NECESSARIES.						
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited.....	60,000	\$	10	all	\$14	buyers
Watkins Limited	10,000	\$	10	\$ 10	\$7.	sales & buyers
LUBRICATING.						
HK. and China Gas Co., Limited....	7,000	£	10	all	\$140	buyers
Shanghai Gas Company, Ltd.....	8,000	Tls.	60	Tls. 50	Tls. 107	buyers
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited. ...	30,000	\$	10	10	\$123	buyers
New Electric (new issue)	30,000	\$	10	5	87	sales

BRICK AND CEMENT.			
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$	10 \$ 10 25¢, sellers
MISCELLANEOUS.			
Manila Investment Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$	50 \$ 50 \$15
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd.	8,604	12	12/8 12/8 \$5, sellers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Sole Agents	90,000	\$	10 \$ 4 \$2, buyers

He. Steam Water-boat Co., Ltd.	7,000	10	10	\$210, buyers
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co.	10,000	10	10	\$153, buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	7 1/2	all	\$121, buyers
Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd.	7,200	12	all	\$245, sellers
Shanghai Planting Company, Ltd.	50,000	20	20	1111, 455
Shanghai Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	5	5	1111, 455
Shanghai Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	10,000	60	all	\$145, buyers
Shanghai Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	10,000	2	10	\$155, sellers

Two Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls.	50	Tls. 50	Tls. 33, sellers
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls.	75	Tls. 75	Tls. 25, buyers
Lau-Kung-How Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls.	100	Tls. 100	Tls. 40, buyers
Yee Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	2,000	Tls.	500	Tls. 500	Tls. 17, sales

China Pr.vident Loan Mortgage Co. Ltd.	10,000	\$	10	\$	10	\$94, sales & buyers
China Borneo Company, Ltd.	10,000	\$	12	\$	12	\$84, buyers
Campbell Moore & Co., Ltd. ed	1,200	\$	10	\$	10	all 40
Wm. Powell, Ltd.	12,000	\$	10	\$	10	\$84, buyers
Shanghai and Hongkong Dyeing and Bleaching Co., Ltd.	1,200	\$	60	\$	50	\$30, Nominal
The Canton-Hongkong Trading Co.						

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